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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD PRESIDING

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber for the thirty-sixth day of the Ninety-Sixth Legislature, First Session. Our chaplain for the day is Sister Phyllis Hunhoff from the Madonna Foundation. She is the President of the Madonna Foundation here in Lincoln, and she is a guest of Senator Crosby. Sister.

SISTER PHYLLIS HUNHOFF: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Sister Phyllis. We will call today's activities to order. Will senators please record your presence. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you. Are there any corrections for the Journal?

CLERK: I have no corrections, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Are there any messages, reports, or announcements?

CLERK: Just one item, Mr. President, the hearing notice from the Retirement Systems Committee, signed by Senator Stuhr, as Chair. That's all that I have. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We are going to pass over the legislative confirmation report since the Chairman of the Banking, Commerce, and Insurance Committee is not present, and we will move to the next item, the Transportation Committee report. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Confirmation report is offered by the Transportation Committee is found on page 724 of the Journal.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. The Chair recognizes Senator Bromm for the Transportation Committee confirmation report.